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Office Action Summary

Application No.

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Applicant(s)

MAURER ET AL.

Examiner

Katarzyna Wyrozewski

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 06 February 2007.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 28-31, 34-49, 51 and 52 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 28-31, 34-49, 51 and 52 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☒ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

In view of applicant's response to the office action dated 2/6/2007 and updated search report following office action is second non-final. Cancellation of claims 1-27, 32 and 50 is noted.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

1. The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

2. Claim 41 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.

Applicant's amendment to claim 41 introduced new matter. Specification only enables drying temperatures of 50°C (original claim and specification page 7) and 100°C (specification page 14).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.

4. Claims 28-31, 34-43, 45-48 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over BROYDE (US 4,071,479) in view of MENDIRATTA (US 4,668,768) in view of evidence given in JP03265641 (Abstract).

The discussion of BROYDE and MENDIRATA from paragraph 6 of the office action mailed on 11/6/2006 is incorporated here by reference.

In the office action dated 11/6/2006 the examiner indicated allowable subject matter in claims 32 and 46 reciting halogenated flame retardants as additives. The Japanese disclosure is here by utilized as evidence that halogenated flame retardants are considered as conventional additives in PVC applications in molding compositions such as wire insulations. Since prior art of BROYDE discloses recycling of PVC cable insulation halogenated flame retardants would have been considered as conventional additives. Another disclosure that contains such teaching is US 2003/0181563. In view of the above halogenated flame retardants are encompassed as additives in the disclosure of BROYDE.

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5. Claims 33, 49, 51, 52 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over BROYDE (US 4,071,479) in view of MENDIRATTA (US 4,668,768) as applied to claims 28-31, 34-43, 45, 47, 48 above, and further in view of GROVER (US 3,256,212).

The discussion of BROYDE, MENDIRATA and GROVER from paragraph 7 of the office action mailed on 11/6/2006 is incorporated here by reference.

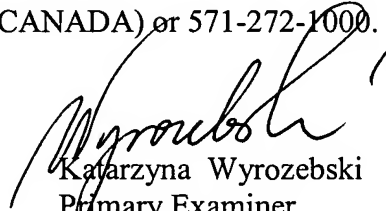
The examiner of record apologizes for any inconvenience regarding the rejections over the prior art of record. Applicant's arguments are therefore considered moot since the rejections have been re-stated.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Katarzyna Wyrozebski whose telephone number is (571) 272-1127. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thurs 6:30 AM-4:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Vasu Jagannathan can be reached on (571) 272-1119. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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